

**Function:** a rule that assigns each element  $x$  in a set A to exactly one element called  $f(x)$  in a set B. It is a dependent relationship.

- **Domain:** All possible vales for input ( $x$ -values)
  - **Increasing:** as  $x$  increases,  $y$  increases
  - **Decreasing:** as  $x$  increases,  $y$  decreases
- **Range:** all possible values for output ( $y$ -values)

**Interval Notation:** Used to describe intervals of real numbers.  
 Parentheses, brackets, *or a combination of both.*

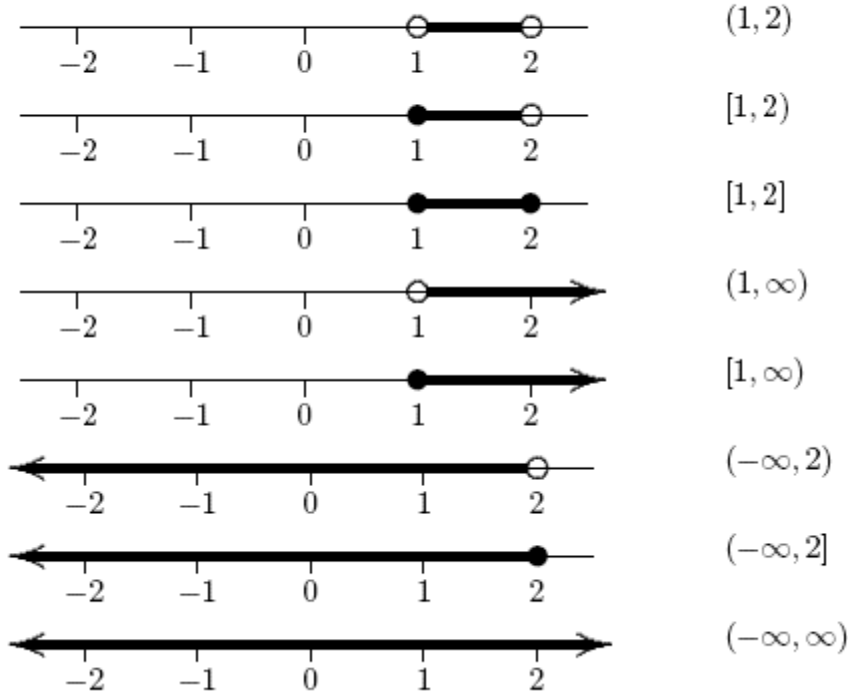
( ): use when an endpoint is NOT included

[ ]: used when an endpoint is included

- The infinity symbol,  $\infty$ , is used to denote an interval that extends forever to the right.
- The negative infinity symbol,  $-\infty$ , is used to denote an interval that extends forever to the left.
- The numbers used in interval notation always go from left to right on the number line.
- Union "U": symbol used to join 2 sets of real numbers.

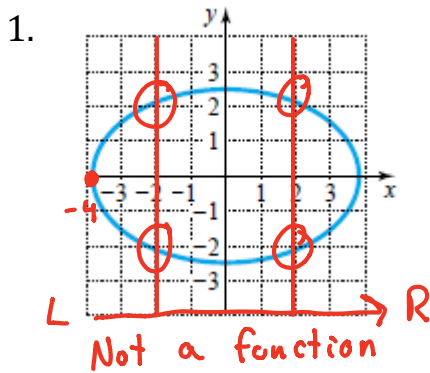


SET NAME USING INTERVAL NOTATION:

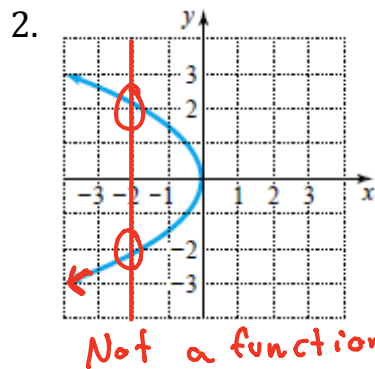


**The Vertical Line Test:** If a vertical line (pencil) intersects the graph more than one point at a time, the graph is NOT a function.

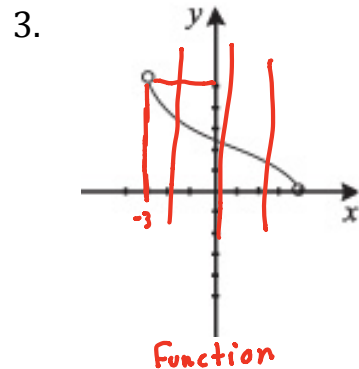
Examples: Determine if the graph is a function. If so, state the domain and range.



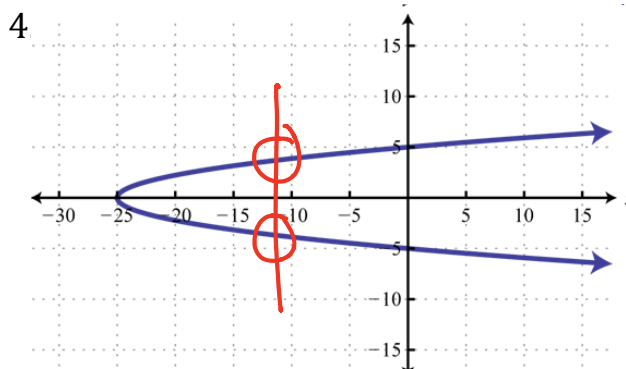
(x-values) D:  $(-4, 4)$   
 (y-values) R:  $(-2.5, 2.5)$



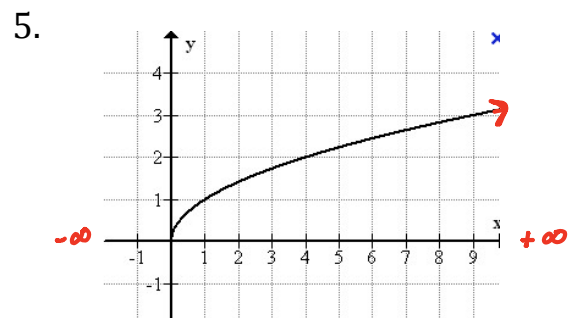
Not a function  
 D:  $(-\infty, 0)$  or  $(-\infty, 0]$   
 R:  $(-\infty, \infty)$



Function  
 D:  $(-3, 4]$   
 R:  $[0, 5)$



Not a function  
 D:  $[-25, \infty)$   
 R:  $(-\infty, \infty)$



Function  
 D:  $[0, \infty)$   
 R:  $[0, \infty)$

**Properties of Graphs:**

**Asymptotes** (in rational functions): a "line" that the graph of a functions approaches but will never touch

Vertical Asymptote: affects domain; found by setting denominator = 0

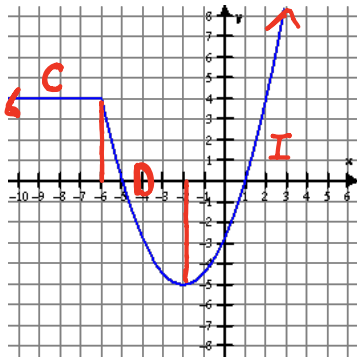
Horizontal: affects the range; based on degree of numerator and denominator

**Open Circle** on graph: value not included

**Closed Circle** on graph: value is included

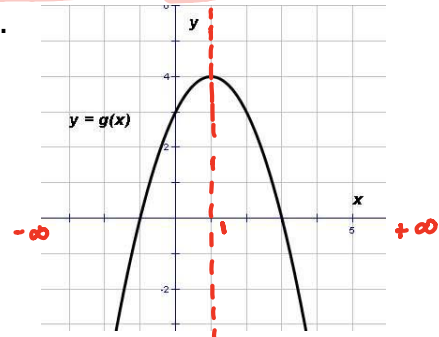
Examples: Determine the interval on which the function increases, decreases, or is constant.

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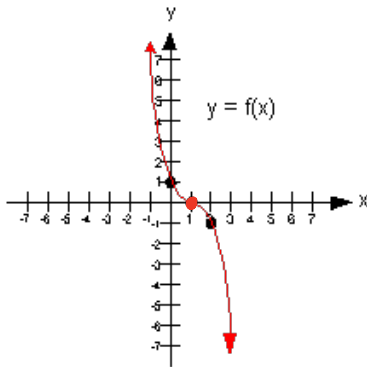
Dec:  $(-6, -2]$   
 Inc:  $(-2, \infty)$   
 Con:  $(-\infty, -6]$

3.



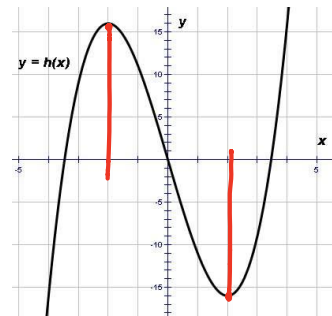
Dec:  $(1, \infty)$   
 Inc:  $(-\infty, 1)$   
 Con: None

2.



Dec:  $[1, \infty)$   
 Inc:  $(-\infty, 1]$   
 Con: None / N/A

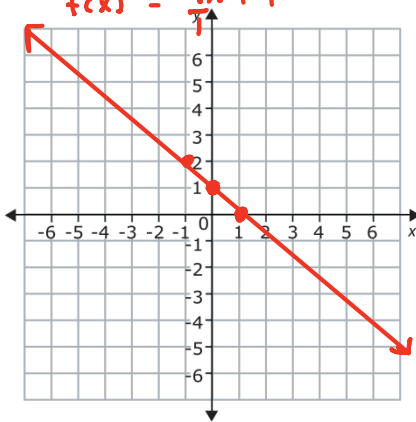
4.



Dec:  $(-2, 2)$   
 Inc:  $(-\infty, -2] \cup [2, \infty)$

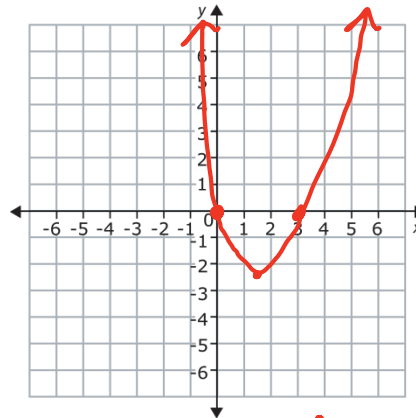
Sketch the graph of the following functions. Find the domain, range, and the interval of increase/decrease.

1.  $f(x) = 1 - x$   
 $f(x) = -x + 1$



D:  $(-\infty, \infty)$   
 R:  $(-\infty, \infty)$   
 Con: None  
 Inc: None  
 Dec:  $(-\infty, \infty)$

2.  $g(x) = x^2 - 3x$   
 $x(x-3) = 0$   
 $\frac{3}{2} = 1.5$



D:  $(-\infty, \infty)$   
 R:  $(-2.25, \infty)$   
 Con: None  
 Inc:  $(-2.25, \infty)$   
 Dec:  $(-\infty, -2.25)$

3.  $h(x) = \frac{4}{x-2}$

